<u>Abstract</u>

The present invention is directed to a razor blade having a non-linear cutting edge and a method for making the razor blade. The razor blade comprises a substrate and a coating layer applied to at least one surface thereof. The coating layer is etched to define a plurality of substantially co-planar cutting edge patterns collectively forming a non-linear cutting edge on the razor blade. Each cutting edge pattern defines an exterior edge having a sharpness sufficient to cut hair. Preferably, a portion of the substrate is removed so that the exterior edges of the cutting edge patterns are offset from the substrate.